

Application No. 10/790,338

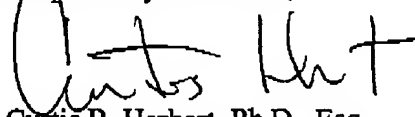
REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, claims 1-154 are pending. A restriction was made between Group I, being methods of making, and Group II, being a device with a material. Group II is hereby elected. It is believed that the Examiner intended to place claims 52-53 into Group I, so that the elected claims would be Group II, claims 54-104 and 151-154.

The restriction requirement is respectfully traversed on the grounds that the two groups are intimately linked with respect to their claimed subject matter so that no undue burden of searching would be imposed on the Examiner. The Restriction Requirement reasoned that the coating could be applied to the device as a film rather than a composition, but, contrary to this reasoning, a film and a composition are not mutually exclusive. For all of these reasons, the Examiner is requested to search both Groups and withdraw the Restriction requirement.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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